



MEMORANDUM  
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Agenda Item No. 7(A)

**TO:** Honorable Chairman Dorrin D. Rolle  
And Members, Community Empowerment &  
Economic Revitalization Committee

**DATE:** January 17, 2006

**FROM:** Kay M. Sullivan  
Director, Clerk of the Board Division

**SUBJECT:** Approval of Commission  
Committee Minutes

The Clerk of the Board's office is submitting the following Clerk's Summary of Minutes for approval by the Community Empowerment and Economic Revitalization Committee:

December 13, 2005

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## CLERK'S SUMMARY OF

### Meeting Minutes

#### Community Empowerment & Econ. Revitalization Cmte.

Dorrin D. Rolle (2) Chair; Barbara J. Jordan (1) Vice Chair; Commissioners Bruno A. Barreiro (5), Jose "Pepe" Diaz (12), Katy Sorenson (8), and Javier D. Souto (10)

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Tuesday, December 13, 2005

2:00 PM

COMMISSION CHAMBERS

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**Members Present:** Bruno A. Barreiro, Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Barbara J. Jordan, Dorrin D. Rolle, Katy Sorenson, Sen. Javier D. Souto.

**Members Absent:** None.

**Members Late:** None.

**Members Excused:** None.

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#### 1A INVOCATION

#### 1B PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### 1C ROLL CALL

**Report:** *The following staff members were present:  
Assistant County Manager Tony Crapp, Sr.;  
Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty; and  
Deputy Clerks Doris Dickens and Jovel Shaw.*

*Assistant County Manager Tony Crapp, Sr. noted in addition to the changes listed in the County Manager's memorandum entitled, "Requested Changes to the Community Empowerment and Economic Revitalization Committee Agenda," the following change should be noted: the withdrawal of Agenda Item 4B.*

*Commissioner Jordan requested deferral of Agenda Item 2D.*

*It was moved by Commissioner Souto that the Committee approve the changes to today's agenda. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Barreiro, and upon being put to a vote, passed by a vote of 5-0 (Commissioner Diaz was absent).*

**2 COUNTY COMMISSION**

2A

**053012 Resolution****Dorrin D. Rolle**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ALLOCATION OF UP TO \$1,972,000 FROM SURTAX FUNDS AND/OR STATE HOUSING INITIATIVE PROGRAM (SHIP) FUNDS TO H.J. RUSSELL CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR THE LIBERTY CITY BEAUTIFICATION DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM FOR THE AREA BOUNDED BY NW 7TH AVENUE ON THE EAST, NW 17TH AVENUE ON THE WEST, NW 62ND STREET ON THE SOUTH AND NW 79TH STREET ON THE NORTH (THE "LIBERTY CITY BEAUTIFICATION AREA"); AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ANY NECESSARY AGREEMENTS

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Rolle*

*Seconder: Jordan*

*Vote: 4-0*

*Absent: Barreiro, Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Manager Tony Crapp, Sr. read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

*Chairman Rolle relinquished the chair to Vice Chairwoman Jordan.*

*Chairman Rolle asked Assistant County Manager Crapp to ensure that H.J. Russell Construction Company (HJRCC) had the capacity to handle the Liberty City Rehabilitation Program and the Liberty City Beautification Demonstration Program and if not, this resolution should be forwarded for reconsideration along with the name of a qualified contractor.*

*Hearing no further questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution and Agenda Item 2C (Legislative File No. 053438) as presented.*

2B

053277 Resolution

Dorrin D. Rolle,

Barbara J. Jordan

RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE  
TO PASS LEGISLATION PROVIDING FOR A  
STATEWIDE APPEALS PROCESS FOR REVIEWING  
DENIAL OF SEAPORT IDENTIFICATION CARDS

*Forwarded to BCC with a  
favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Rolle*

*Seconder: Sorenson*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Manager Tony Crapp, Sr. read  
the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

*Chairman Rolle relinquished the chair to Vice  
Chairwoman Jordan.*

*Commissioner Rolle provided a brief overview  
regarding the intent of this resolution, which he  
noted would urge the Florida Legislature to pass  
legislation providing for a statewide appeals  
process for denial of seaport access credentials to  
those who were employed at the Port of Miami.*

*Mr. Neil Flaxman, attorney, representing  
International Longshoreman Local 1460,  
appeared before the Board and spoke in support  
of the foregoing resolution.*

*Vice Chairwoman Jordan requested that she be  
listed as a co-sponsor on this resolution.*

*Hearing no further questions or comments from  
Committee members or individuals in the  
audience, the Committee proceeded to vote on the  
foregoing proposed resolution as presented.*

2C

**053438 Resolution****Dorrin D. Rolle**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ALLOCATION OF UP TO \$1,200,000 FROM SURTAX FUNDS AND/OR STATE HOUSING INITIATIVE PROGRAM (SHIP) FUNDS TO H.J. RUSSELL CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR THE LIBERTY CITY REHABILITATION PROGRAM FOR THE AREA BOUNDED BY NW 7TH AVENUE ON THE EAST, NW 17TH AVENUE ON THE WEST, NW 62ND STREET ON THE SOUTH AND NW 79TH STREET ON THE NORTH (THE "LIBERTY CITY REHABILITATION AREA"); AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ANY NECESSARY AGREEMENTS

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Rolle*

*Seconder: Jordan*

*Vote: 4-0*

*Absent: Diaz, Barreiro*

**Report:** *Assistant County Manager Tony Crapp, Sr. read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

*This resolution was heard simultaneously with Agenda Item 2A (See Report under Legislative File No. 053012).*

2D

**052927 Resolution****Barbara J. Jordan,****Katy Sorenson**

RESOLUTION URGING THE PRESIDENT, THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS AND THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT ("HUD") TO RECONSIDER THE APPLICATION OF THE "ONE STRIKE" POLICY

*Deferred to next committee meeting*

*Mover: Souto*

*Seconder: Barreiro*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

**Report:** *The Committee deferred the foregoing proposed resolution as requested by Commissioner Jordan, the sponsor of the item, during consideration of changes to today's agenda.*

2E

**053232 Resolution**

**Dennis C. Moss**

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MANAGER  
TO DEVELOP AN EXIT STRATEGY FOR ALL  
COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AREAS (CRAS)

*Forwarded to BCC with a  
favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Jordan*

*Seconder: Souto*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Manager Tony Crapp, Sr. read  
the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

*Commissioner Sorenson spoke in support of  
developing exit strategy criteria for all Community  
Redevelopment Agencies (CRAs).*

*Assistant County Manager Crapp noted that staff  
would meet and brief each Committee member on  
staff's proposal regarding CRAs policies.*

*Hearing no further questions or comments, the  
Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing  
proposed resolution as presented.*

2F

**053352 Resolution****Dennis C. Moss,****Barbara J. Jordan, Dorrin D. Rolle**

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MANAGER  
TO DEVELOP A PROGRAM TO BE BROADCAST ON  
MIAMI-DADE TELEVISION HIGHLIGHTING THE  
FEATURES AND BENEFITS OF THE MOM AND POP  
SMALL BUSINESS GRANT PROGRAM

*Forwarded to BCC with a  
favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Sorenson*

*Seconder: Jordan*

*Vote: 4-0*

*Absent: Souto, Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Manager Tony Crapp, Sr. read  
the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

*Commissioner Jordan requested that she be listed  
as a co-sponsor on this resolution.*

*Following Commissioner Barreiro's comments  
regarding how different the Mom and Pop  
businesses operated in each Commission District,  
Assistant County Manager Crapp stated that he  
would work with the Communications Department  
to make sure that the benefits of the Mom and Pop  
Small Business Grant Program were highlighted.*

*Chairman Rolle requested that Commissioner  
Jordan and he be listed as co-sponsors on this  
resolution.*

*Hearing no further questions or comments, the  
Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing  
proposed resolution as presented.*

**3 PUBLIC HEARING(S)**

3A

**052730 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING TRANSFER OF  
CERTIFICATE OF TRANSPORTATION NO. 075 FROM  
MTC TRANSPORTATION, INC. TO GREAT  
TRANSPORTATION, CORP. TO PROVIDE CONTRACT  
SERVICE AS A PASSENGER MOTOR CARRIER  
(Consumer Services Department)

*Forwarded to BCC with a  
favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Sorenson*

*Seconder: Jordan*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Manager Tony Crapp, Sr. read  
the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

*Chairman Rolle opened the public hearing; and  
after hearing no objections, he closed the public  
hearing.*

*The Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing  
proposed resolution as presented.*

3B

**052731 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING TRANSFER OF  
CERTIFICATE OF TRANSPORTATION NO. 172 FROM  
NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES, INC. TO  
MIAMI LIMOUSINE CORP. TO PROVIDE CONTRACT  
SERVICE AS A PASSENGER MOTOR CARRIER  
(Consumer Services Department)

*Forwarded to BCC with a  
favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Sorenson*

*Seconder: Jordan*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Manager Tony Crapp, Sr. read  
the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

*Chairman Rolle opened the public hearing; and  
after hearing no objections, he closed the public  
hearing.*

*The Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing  
proposed resolution as presented.*



3C

**052965 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING APPLICATION FOR ONE  
CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND  
NECESSITY TO GREAT TRANSPORTATION, CORP. TO  
PROVIDE STRETCHER NONEMERGENCY MEDICAL  
TRANSPORTATION (NE CONTROL NO. 138A)  
(Consumer Services Department)

*Forwarded to BCC with a  
favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Sorenson*

*Seconder: Souto*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Manager Tony Crapp, Sr. read  
the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

*Chairman Rolle opened the public hearing; and  
after hearing no objections, he closed the public  
hearing.*

*The Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing  
proposed resolution as presented.*

3D

**052970 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING APPLICATION FOR ONE  
CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND  
NECESSITY TO GREAT TRANSPORTATION, CORP. TO  
PROVIDE COMBINATION WHEELCHAIR AND  
STRETCHER NONEMERGENCY MEDICAL  
TRANSPORTATION (NE CONTROL NO. 138B)  
(Consumer Services Department)

*Forwarded to BCC with a  
favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Souto*

*Seconder: Sorenson*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Manager Tony Crapp, Sr. read  
the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

*Chairman Rolle opened the public hearing; and  
after hearing no objections, he closed the public  
hearing.*

*The Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing  
proposed resolution as presented.*

3E

**052972 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING TRANSFER OF 50% OF  
SHARES OF STOCK OF DORAL TOURS  
TRANSPORTATION OF MIAMI, INC., HOLDER OF  
CERTIFICATE OF TRANSPORTATION 309, TO ITS NEW  
VICE-PRESIDENT, JOSE ANGEL ARAUJO (Consumer  
Services Department)

*Forwarded to BCC with a  
favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Sorenson*

*Seconder: Souto*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Manager Tony Crapp, Sr. read  
the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

*Chairman Rolle opened the public hearing; and  
after hearing no objections, he closed the public  
hearing.*

*The Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing  
proposed resolution as presented.*

3F

**052974 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING TRANSFER OF SHARES OF  
STOCK OF AMERICAN MEDICAL RESPONSE (AMR),  
PARENT COMPANY OF RANDLE EASTERN  
AMBULANCE SERVICE, INC. AND MEDI-CAR  
AMBULANCE SERVICE, INC., TO LAIDLAW  
INTERNATIONAL, INC., AND THEN FROM LAIDLAW  
INTERNATIONAL, INC. TO ONEX CORPORATION  
(Consumer Services Department)

*Forwarded to BCC with a  
favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Sorenson*

*Seconder: Souto*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Manager Tony Crapp, Sr. read  
the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

*Chairman Rolle opened the public hearing; and  
after hearing no objections, he closed the public  
hearing.*

*The Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing  
proposed resolution as presented.*

**4 DEPARTMENT(S)**

4A

**053345 Resolution**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF CHANGE OF PRINCIPAL FOR THE 1800 GROUP, LLC; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ANY NECESSARY AGREEMENTS (Miami-Dade Housing Agency)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Barreiro*

*Seconder: Sorenson*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Manager Tony Crapp, Sr. read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

*Responding to Commissioner Jordan's inquiry regarding whether the change in the principal represented a change in ownership, Assistant County Attorney Terrance Smith clarified the principal and the ownership was the same.*

*Hearing no further questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.*

4B

**053383 Resolution**

RESOLUTION RETROACTIVELY APPROVING MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AS A CO-APPLICANT IN THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION (EDA) GRANT PREAPPLICATION AND APPLICATION WITH THE CITY OF MIAMI FOR A \$2 MILLION GRANT TO BE USED IN THE MIDTOWN MIAMI PROJECT; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER AND/OR THE HIGHEST ELECTED OFFICIAL TO EXECUTE THE EDA GRANT AND OTHER REQUIRED DOCUMENTS, PROVIDING SEVERABILITY AND EFFECTIVE DATE (Office of Community and Economic Development)

*Withdrawn**Mover: Souto**Seconder: Barreiro**Vote: 5-0**Absent: Diaz*

**Report:** *During consideration of changes to today's agenda, the Committee withdrew the foregoing proposed resolution.*

*Responding to Chairman Rolle's request regarding whether Agenda Item 4B would come back for Committee review, Assistant County Manager Crapp stated that he would provide a status report to Chairman Rolle on this proposed resolution; therefore, there may not be a need for the item to come before the Committee.*

*Responding to Chairman Rolle's comments regarding the Office of Community and Economic Development (OCED) funding recommendations, Assistant County Manager Crapp provided an oral status report pertaining to the proposed timetables for the proposed uses of the funds listed in the foregoing Economic Development Administration (EDA) Grant pre-application and grant application with the City of Miami. He stated that a public hearing would be held at the next Committee meeting scheduled for January 17, 2006, with final action to be taken by the full Board on the funding recommendations at its January 24, 2006, meeting.*

*Chairman Rolle questioned the termination date for the existing contracts that were funded in the last funding cycle.*

*Responding to Chairman Rolle's comments, Assistant County Manager Crapp noted that OCED had been instructed to review options that would extend the expenditure period for contracts expiring December 31, 2005. In addition, if any of those contracts had unexpended balances, they would be extended as well and steps would be undertaken by staff to mitigate any negative*

*impact.*

4C

**053335 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005-2006 FOR NORTH MIAMI COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (Office of Community and Economic Development)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Souto*

*Seconder: Jordan*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Manager Tony Crapp, Sr. read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

*Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.*

4D

**053338 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005-2006 FOR CITY OF SOUTH MIAMI COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (Office of Community and Economic Development)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Sorenson*

*Seconder: Souto*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Manager Tony Crapp, Sr. read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

*Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.*

4E

**053360 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING CONFIDENTIAL PROJECT NO. 06-00076 AS A TARGETED JOBS INCENTIVE FUND PROGRAM BUSINESS PURSUANT TO THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE LXXXVI, AS MODIFIED BY ORDINANCE NO. 02-251; CONFIRMING THAT THE COMMITMENT OF INCENTIVE AWARDS FOR CONFIDENTIAL PROJECT NO. 06-00076 EXISTS; AND PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION OF UP TO \$560,410 FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS FOR FISCAL YEARS 2006 THROUGH 2015 WITH THE PROVISIO THAT ANY TAX ABATEMENT GRANTED TO CONFIDENTIAL PROJECT NO. 06-00076, UNDER FLORIDA STATUTE 196.1995, REDUCES ANY TARGETED JOBS INCENTIVE FUNDS AWARD TO CONFIDENTIAL PROJECT NO. 06-00076 BY THE AMOUNT OF ANY SUCH TAX ABATEMENT GRANTED, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (Office of Community and Economic Development)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Barreiro*

*Seconder: Souto*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Manager Tony Crapp, Sr. read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

*Responding to Commissioner Sorenson's inquiry regarding the salaries of the 32 jobs to be created, Ms. Silvia Unzueta, Deputy Director, Office of Community and Economic Development, stated that the average salary would be approximately \$40,000.00.*

*Hearing no further questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.*

4F

**053457 Resolution**

RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION R-211-05 DECLARING CERTAIN GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA KNOWN AS THE GOULDS/CUTLER RIDGE AREA AND DESCRIBED AS A PORTION OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, GENERALLY BOUNDED ON THE SOUTH BY SW 232ND STREET, ON THE WEST BY SW 127TH AVENUE, ON THE NORTH BY THE BLACK CREEK CANAL AND SW DIXIE HIGHWAY, ON THE EAST BY THE FLORIDA TURNPIKE WITH AN ADDITION OF PARCELS SOUTH OF SW 232ND STREET BETWEEN THE FLORIDA TURNPIKE AND SW 117TH AVENUE TO BE A SLUM OR BLIGHTED AREA; DECLARING REHABILITATION, CONSERVATION OR REDEVELOPMENT, OR COMBINATION THEREOF, OF AREA TO BE NECESSARY IN INTEREST OF PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, MORALS OR WELFARE OF RESIDENTS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA; DIRECTING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO COMPETITIVELY SELECT A CONSULTANT IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROVISIONS OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 3-38, TO PREPARE A COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE GOULDS/CUTLER RIDGE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AREA; APPROVE MONIES IN THE COUNTY'S UNINCORPORATED MUNICIPAL SERVICE AREA NON-DEPARTMENTAL ALLOCATION FOR MANAGEMENT CONSULTING SERVICES FUND BE EXPENDED FOR THE PREPARATION OF THE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN; DESIGNATING SUCH PLAN EXAMINE ALTERNATE FUNDING MECHANISMS IN ADDITION TO TAX INCREMENT FINANCING AS A VEHICLE TO FUND THE REDEVELOPMENT (Office of Community and Economic Development)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Sorenson*

*Seconded: Rolle*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Manager Tony Crapp, Sr. read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

*Commissioner Sorenson expressed that she wanted to make sure that the area outlined in this resolution involved both of the new municipalities Cutler Bay and Goulds. Therefore, the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) membership should be comprised of individuals representing both of those communities.*

*Assistant County Manager Crapp, Sr. reassured Commissioner Sorenson that both communities would be part of the Goulds/Cutler Ridge CRA.*

*Hearing no further questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing*

*proposed resolution as presented.*



4G

**053483 Resolution**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ALLOCATION OF \$1,000,000 SURTAX FUNDS TO LOS SUENOS, LTD. FOR THE LOS SUENOS DEVELOPMENT; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ANY NECESSARY AGREEMENTS (Miami-Dade Housing Agency)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*  
*Mover: Barreiro*  
*Seconded: Sorenson*  
*Vote: 5-0*  
*Absent: Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Manager Tony Crapp, Sr. read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

*Commissioner Barreiro made a comparison analysis of current rental costs per housing unit versus costs three years ago.*

*Chairman Rolle reminded staff of the instruction given last week to make ensure that when proposals similar to this resolution are coming forth the time certain for the commencement of the construction should be outlined in the resolution.*

*Assistant County Manager Crapp, Sr. noted that staff was in the process of developing guidelines to address the increasing cost caused by delays in the construction timetable. He also pointed out that discussion had already occurred among staff on how to streamline the process for the review and approval of the justification required by contractors.*

*Mr. Alphonso Brewster, Director, Miami-Dade Housing Agency, stated that he would follow-up on Chairman Rolle's request. He pointed out that there had been construction delays because the tax credits application process had taken one year to complete and that other factors had been impacted as well.*

*Discussion ensued between Committee members and Mr. Brewster regarding the tax credits application process, the contractor/developer, and the potential date for construction of housing developments.*

*Assistant County Manager Crapp, Sr. noted the implementation of a monitoring process for outstanding commitments in terms of the County's housing development projects and providing monthly or quarterly status reports from the date of approval by the County Commission to the actual construction.*

*Hearing no further questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.*

4H

**053484 Resolution**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONVEYANCE OF LAND TO L.B.W. HOMEOWNERS' FOUNDATION OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A MIXED RENTAL (RESIDENTIAL/COMMERCIAL) PROJECT NAMED BAHAMIAN VILLAGE IN ACCORDANCE WITH FLORIDA STATUTE 125.38; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER, DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, COUNTY ATTORNEY, AND CLERK OF THE BOARD TO TAKE THE NECESSARY ACTIONS TO EFFECT AND SECURE THE CONVEYANCE OF SAID LAND; AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF COUNTY DEED (Office of Community and Economic Development)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Souto*

*Seconder: Barreiro*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Manager Tony Crapp, Sr. read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

*Commissioner Jordan asked Assistant County Manager Tony Crapp, Sr. to provide a report before the December 20th, Board meeting indicating the rental rates to be charged to occupants of the mixed-use development and whether existing residents would be displaced and if so, include the action recommended to assist in their relocation process.*

*Hearing no further questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.*

4I

**053485 Resolution**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ALLOCATION OF \$2,000,000 SURTAX FUNDS TO PALERMO LAKES, INC. FOR THE PALERMO LAKES APARTMENTS DEVELOPMENT; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ANY NECESSARY AGREEMENTS (Miami-Dade Housing Agency)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Souto*

*Seconder: Rolle*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Manager Tony Crapp, Sr. read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

*Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.*

**5 COUNTY MANAGER**

**6 COUNTY ATTORNEY**

**7 CLERK OF THE BOARD**

7A

**053459 Report**

CLERK SUMMARY OF MEETING MINUTES FOR  
COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT AND ECONOMIC  
REVITALIZATION COMMITTEE MEETING(S):

NOVEMBER 8, 2005 (Clerk of the Board)

***Report Received***  
***Mover: Sorenson***  
***Seconder: Souto***  
***Vote: 5-0***  
***Absent: Diaz***

**Report:** *Assistant County Manager Tony Crapp, Sr. read  
the foregoing report into the record.*

*Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee  
proceeded to vote on the foregoing report as  
presented.*

**8 REPORTS**

8A

**053341 Report**

REPORT ON THE CLOSE-OUT OF THE SECTION 108 \$40 MILLION REVOLVING LOAN FUND FOR TARGETED URBAN AREAS (County Manager)

**Report Received**  
**Mover: Jordan**  
**Seconder: Sorenson**  
**Vote: 5-0**  
**Absent: Diaz**

**Report:** Assistant County Manager Tony Crapp, Sr. presented the foregoing report regarding the status of the \$40 million in connection with the Section 108 Revolving Loan Fund for Targeted Urban Areas (TUA) that had been closed-out for further funding and draw downs as of September 30, 2005. He noted the presence of Ms. Karen Moore, Director, Urban Economic Revitalization Task Force (UERTF), Ms. Tangie White, Division Director, Economic Development Division, Office of Community and Economic Development and Ms. Silvia Unzueta, Deputy Director, Office of Community and Economic Development (OCED) at today's meeting who were involved in this process. He concluded by providing a historical background and the purpose of implementing the Task Force on UERTF Urban Economic Revitalization Plan that would generate and benefit urban economic development within the County's designated TUA.

Ms. Unzueta commended Ms. Moore for her efforts in this process.

Ms. Moore stated that the County had set a model for other municipalities in terms of how to use this type of funding source to encourage economic development in areas where businesses choose not to locate their business. She provided an overview of the process of marketing this program which was educational for staff and the community. Ms. Moore stated that in the process of administering this program the County had not only been able to create development but also educated the entrepreneurial community on how to prepare to move to the next level in their business. She concluded by stating that OCED has worked well with UERTF in terms of outreach and educating community-based organizations (CBO) about the possibilities of preparing to expand their business capacity. In addition, she noted that the best example was the Edison Plaza Marketplace as a result of collaboration with a CBO (Peninsula Edison Plaza) the active principal and a revenue sharing principal in this type of enterprise.

*Ultimately, this is the type of collaboration the UERTF desired and should be building upon for all communities located in Miami-Dade County.*

*Commissioner Sorenson questioned the repayment rate and how the County would address those individuals or businesses whose payments were in arrears. She indicated that it would be helpful to reflect that information in this report when this item was presented to the full Board including a list of all of the loans outlining the name of the borrowers, the status of the loan installment payments, and efforts to address installment payments in arrears.*

*Ms. Moore noted that the information requested by Commissioner Sorenson would be provided and that currently there were no installment payments in arrears. She pointed out that the underwriting criteria for this program was stringent and the loan must be repaid.*

*Commissioner Jordan expressed a concern with not utilizing the remaining \$15 million which could be utilized to benefit the community. She felt the County at times was the victim of its own bureaucracy.*

*Following Commissioner Jordan's comments, Ms. Moore stated that the County administration shared the same feelings expressed by Commissioner Jordan. She noted this project had taught staff the importance of being properly equipped with the right tools to achieve the desired objectives when establishing the objectives of a program. Ms. Moore stated that the Section 108 was a great tool but it contained stringent restrictions and limitations. She stated that the County should address unmet needs in the appropriate manner as the program moved forward.*

*Assistant County Manager Crapp, Sr. noted that Miami-Dade County had a great need for investment in economic development.*

*Commissioner Jordan recognized and concurred with Mr. Crapp, Sr. that Section 108 funds are not risk dollars. She reiterated sometimes that, as County administrators, they jeopardized their ability to move forward with the process.*

*Commissioner Barreiro questioned whether any consideration had been given to changing the job*

*creation requirement for companies becoming automated.*

*Responding to Commissioner Barreiro's comments, Assistant County Manager Crapp, Sr. stated that the public benefit requirement was listed in the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) economic development programs, which had proven to be a very difficult issue to address nationally. He indicated that there had not been very much relief coming from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (USHUD) in terms of adjusting the job creation requirement as the ultimate measure for those types of activities. Mr. Crapp, Sr. stated that the national average for economic development was from 3 to 5% and Miami-Dade County had established a policy that allowed up to 20% for economic development.*

*Commissioner Barreiro reiterated his comments regarding attempts to change the regulations to allow more flexibility in the use of these funds.*

*Chairman Rolle asked Urban Economic Revitalization Task Force Director to provide a list of all applicants who applied for assistance from the Section 108 Revolving Loan Fund and to highlight those applicants that were denied funding including the reason for the denial.*

*Hearing no further questions or comments, the Committee received the foregoing report.*

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**053418 Report**

UPDATED SEAPORT SECURITY FEE TASKFORCE  
REPORT (County Manager)

*Report Received*  
*Mover: Sorenson*  
*Seconder: Souto*  
*Vote: 5-0*  
*Absent: Diaz*

**Report:** *Mr. Charles Towsley, Director, Miami-Dade County Seaport Department, presented the foregoing report and noted that the Seaport Security Fee Task Force had conducted several meetings to discuss security issues regarding the necessary resources to meet the standards outlined in the approved Seaport Facility Security Plan. He noted the County Manager had asked the Department to review alternatives to reduce the cost for additional security that included non-sworn and contracted personnel. Mr. Towsley stated that this alternative had not been approved either by the State or Federal governments. He concluded by stating that the Department would continue to work with the County Manager's Office and the Office of Strategic Business Management (OSBM) to address the \$3.7 million shortfall. In addition, no consensus had been reached by the Task Force on how to recover the costs for additional security; and if unable to, the Department may have no other option but to consider imposing a recovery structure surcharge similar to the surcharge imposed by the Port of Everglades.*

*Responding to Commissioner Sorenson's comments regarding the current security surcharge imposed by the Port of Everglades, Mr. Towsley noted if the County implemented the same surcharge as the Port of Everglades there would be a significant gap. He stated that staff would provide a recommendation after meeting with the County Manager, OSBM and the affected users.*

*Assistant County Manager Bonzon noted concerns raised by the cruise and cargo lines regarding the redundancy of security measures at different levels were valid. He stressed the need to work with the legislature to review Florida Statutes (FS) 311.12 in an attempt to minimize the cost. Mr. Bonzon concluded by stating that the cruise and the cargo lines need to be reassured that the Port was operating efficiently as it pertained to security. He further noted that the issue was overtime cost and staff was working with Miami-*

*Dade Police Department (MDPD) to identify areas that could be substituted by private security firms to perform security services as a cost savings measure.*

*Responding to Commissioner Sorenson's question why cruise lines were employing personnel for security, Assistant County Manager Bonzon pointed out that the cruise lines were required by the State and Federal governments to provide security services. In addition, seaports operate differently from airports meaning that seaports must coordinate with the United States Coast Guard, the Transportation Security Administration, and the Federal Department of Law Enforcement to adhere to security requirements.*

*Commissioner Jordan questioned what efforts were being undertaken to unify federal security standards for airports and seaports in order to lessen the County's security costs.*

*Responding to Commissioner Jordan, Assistant County Manager Bonzon reiterated that the FS 311.12 should be amended.*

*Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty stated that several approaches could be taken to amend FS 311.12, to remove the State requirement on the federal level; or to work with the FDLE administratively to lessen the duplication of requirements.*

*Mr. Towsley stated that staff had pursued to work cooperatively with FDLE, and they had not reached an agreement yet. He further pointed out that the agreement to be reached would affect all Florida ports. Mr. Towsley stated that meetings would be scheduled to pursue what Commissioner Jordan had asked and discuss this issue further.*

*Responding to Commissioner Jordan's comments on the need to develop County legislation to move forward, Mr. Towsley stated the issue was subject to the County being able to reach an agreement with the parties involved to accept the standards evenly.*

*Hearing no further questions or comments, the Committee received the foregoing report.*



**9 OPEN DISCUSSION**

**Report:** *Commissioner Souto asked Assistant County Manager Tony Crapp, Sr. to review the feasibility of identifying a financing mechanism through a public/private partnership to provide low cost loans for families to repair their homes or property.*

**10 ADJOURNMENT**

**Report:** *There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.*